



Outreach Programs and Events



The Department of Game and Inland Fisheries' Outdoor Education Program offers exciting programs such as Becoming an Outdoors Woman[®], Virginia Outdoors Weekend, Mother & Daughter Outdoors, and Women in the Outdoors (co-sponsored with the National Wild Turkey Federation) and various Game Hunts. Each of the programs offered to the public are hands-on educational activities lead by enthusiastic, knowledgeable, and professional instructors in a highly supportive atmosphere.

Becoming an Outdoors Woman[®] March 31 - April 2, 2006

This program is designed primarily for women whose outdoor exposure has been limited. The three-day events (Friday through Sunday) offer a variety of 4-hour classes geared towards beginners. Participants can choose from shooting sports, aquatic, or many non-consumptive educational courses. The courses offered may include, but are not limited to, intro to shotgun, rifle, archery, hunting techniques for game species, fly-fishing, bass fishing, boating, camping, wilderness survival, and outdoor cooking. Weekends are held in rustic yet comfortable settings. Participants in the Becoming an Outdoors Woman[®] programs must be at least 18 years of age.

Virginia Outdoors Weekend July 7-9, 2006

Designed to give the entire family a chance to add to their outdoor experience, the Virginia Outdoors Weekend is a three-day event (Friday through Sunday) taught at various locations across the state. The focus is on learning outdoor skills through hands-on courses such as, but not limited to, intro to skeet shooting, rifle, archery; hunting techniques for game species, fly-fishing, basic fishing, boating, camping, wilderness survival, outdoor cooking, and many others. This event to be held at Twin Lakes State Park in Green Bay, VA in 2006!

Mother & Daughter Outdoors August 18-20, 2006

The Mother & Daughter Outdoors program is designed primarily for women. It provides an excellent opportunity for anyone 9 years of age and above to learn outdoor skills usually associated with hunting and fishing, but useful in a variety of outdoor pursuits. The courses offered at this 2-3 day event are similar in content to the BOW and the Virginia Outdoors Weekend events. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Women in the Outdoors

Co-sponsored with the National Wild Turkey Federation, this program is designed primarily for women 14 and over. Participants can enjoy learning new skills, meeting people with similar interests, and getting involved in outdoor activities. These events offer classes that range from fly fishing, shooting sports, and turkey hunting to mountain biking, canoeing, and bird watching. Events are held throughout the state.

Hunting Workshops

Game hunt events and workshops that include our Squirrel Hunts, Dove Hunts, Generation and Novice Deer Hunts, Upland Game Bird Hunts, Youth Waterfowl Hunting Workshops, and other species specific workshops and hunts that are designed for novice hunters.

See brochures and flyers for specific details.

Other events

Some of our other events offered include the Wilderness Survival Weekend, and others.

See brochures and flyers for specific details.

**For information or registration forms for any of these programs visit the
Department of Game and Inland Fisheries website www.dgif.virginia.gov Click on Education**

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